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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to the calculation of the filing fee and examination of the above-referenced U.S. patent application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 1-35 and substitute the following new claims 36-70 therefor.

 $\sqrt{--36}$. Cutting device, comprising a machine frame, an anvil roller mounted for rotation on the machine frame and a cutting tool mounted for rotation on the machine frame, wherein the cutting tool has a cutting edge cooperating with anvil surfaces of the anvil roller, wherein the cutting tool is biased\essentially parallel to its axis of rotation.